sound and cleaner energy technologies into the limited public domain for use_by developing countries for early adoption, diffusion and deployment accompanied with transfer of financial resources.

**Wildlife safeguard**

1442. SHRI TARINI KANTA ROY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the numbers of elephants and wild lives killed due to accidents met on railway tracks during last five years, year and animal-wise; and

(b) whether all recommendations of Expert Committee, which was formed to safeguard wildlife, have not been properly implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) As reported by the State/UT Governments, the number of elephants and tigers killed in train accident during last five years are as follow:

| Year | Number of Deaths | |
|---|---|---|
| | Tiger | Elephant |
| 2003-04 | Nil | 13 |
| 2004-05 | Nil | 6 |
| 2005-06 | 1 | 2 |
| 2006-07 | 1 | 8 |
| 2007-08 | 2 | 11 |

(b) An Expert Committee was constituted in the year 2001 to suggest safeguards for preventing accidental deaths on railway tracks passing through Siliguri Junction to Alipurduar junction of the West Bengal. As reported by the State Government, the Railways have implemented the recommendation of the Expert Committee. However, even after the implementation of the recommendation of the Expert Committee, the accidents are taking place. Ministry has constituted a new Expert Committee in the year 2007 to re-examine and suggest further mitigation measures.

**Genetically modified products**

1443. SHRI B. S. GNANADESIKAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court of India has asked the Government to consider applications for grant of fresh approvals to genetically modified products after considering biosafety;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Genetic Engineering Approval Committee (GEAC) in this regard;

(c) the number of approvals for Genetically Modified varieties for the last three years; and

(d) the details thereof?